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Local Business Men Will Get Together to Make Their Farms Pay.

It is understood that Richmond men who own farms will avail themselves of the opportunity afforded by the demonstration work as carried on in this State, and will contribute to the salary of a demonstrator to live in this city and to devote his whole time to the agricultural interests of those who would like to make their farms pay.

For a long time it has been a matter of comment that Richmond needs a demonstrator more than does any other locality in Virginia. There are hundreds of business men whose jobs for the soil and for out-of-doors have led them to purchase farms in Henrico or Chesterfield or in other counties a little further away. In very few instances do these farms pay, since the owner can give them but very little time, and the work must be left to others. In every case they would be made to pay more if directed by an expert.

The plan is to get the best man to be found, and pay him adequately. The farm owners realize that the money would be well invested. Most of the counties of the State this year will have demonstrators, whose salaries are paid in part from county funds, in part by the State, and in part by the Bureau in Washington. The Richmond idea is to have the men directly interested contribute the money—a small amount in each instance—so that the demonstrator to be employed can devote himself to their interests, study their problems, and give advice on how to make from two to three of blades grow where one grew before. The movement, it is understood, will take tangible shape in the next few days.

### PREACH ON PEACE

Call to Ministers to Speak During Month of December.

The following call has been issued by J. J. Hall, director of the South Atlantic States Department of the American Peace Society:

"Every preacher is earnestly asked to select some one Sunday during the month of December and preach a sermon in behalf of universal peace. We have recently seen that the horrors of war are as terrible as ever. We have seen that in the slaughter of human life, the suffering of the wounded, the hatred shown, the destruction of property, the anguish of women and children, war is still war. Surely it is high time that the heralds of the Prince of Peace should point out a better way than that of carnage and blood to settle great international questions. As Christmas is fast approaching, let us do what we can to make the sons of the angels, 'Peace on Earth,' the happy realization of all men."

### Boy Arrested for Theft.

Charles Reed, colored, twelve years old, was arrested yesterday by Mounted Officer Smallwood on the charge of stealing a revolver, valued at \$15, from M. L. Johnson.

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## MANY GOVERNORS TO ARRIVE U-DAY

Advance Guard of Great Conference Expected This Afternoon.

### SESSIONS OPEN TO-MORROW

Brilliant Social Events Planned in Honor of Visiting State Executives.

Governors of a number of Western and Northern States will arrive in Richmond to-day. The fifth annual Conference of Governors opens in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, when a majority of the executives of the forty-eight States of the Union will be in attendance. While there will be some private entertaining among personal friends, a majority of the visiting Governors have reserved quarters at the Jefferson Hotel, where the sessions of the conference will be held.

The week will be marked by a number of brilliant social events, including a reception tendered by the city of Richmond to-morrow night, a trip by special train to Cape Henry to meet with the National Guard Association and attend an oyster roast tendered by the city of Norfolk; a reception at the Governor's Mansion on Thursday night, and a luncheon at the White House in Washington on Saturday.

### Uniformity of Legislation.

The conference will devote its time this year to discussion of subjects on which uniform legislation by the various States is desired. At last year's session, it is estimated, administrative problems of government were given chief place, but, as in many of the States Legislatures meet during this winter, the Governors desire to embody recommendations in regard to uniformity of legislative action.

### The official program follows:

**Tuesday, December 3.** Morning, 10 o'clock—Addresses of welcome by Governor William Hodges Mann, of Virginia, and Hon. George Ainslie, Mayor of Richmond. Response to addresses of welcome by Governor Edwin L. Norris, of Montana. Appointment of temporary chairman. Organization. Discussion. Appointment of committee on organization.

Afternoon—Modern Penology. Address by Governor John H. Shafroth, of Colorado. Address by Governor Simeon Baldwin, of Connecticut. Discussion.

Evening—Reception by city of Richmond at the Jefferson Hotel.

### Wednesday, December 4.

Meeting with National Guard Association at Norfolk. Lynnhaven Bay oyster roast at Cape Henry. Tendered by the city of Norfolk.

Return to Richmond in time for evening's session of the conference.

Evening session—Hearing report of committee on organization. Discussion of plans, details and suggestions for permanent organization. Appointment of executive committee for 1912. Arranging budget for coming year. Miscellaneous business.

### Thursday, December 5.

Morning—"A State Income Tax." Address by Governor Francis E. Mc-Govern, of Wisconsin. Address by ex-Governor Arthur E. Wilson, of Kentucky. Discussion.

Afternoon—"The Development of Inland Waterways." Address by Governor Eugene N. Pess, of Massachusetts. Address by Governor Francis S. De-neen, of Illinois. Discussion.

Evening—Reception by Governor William Hodges Mann at the Executive Mansion.

### Friday, December 6.

Morning—"Uniformity of Marriage and Divorce Laws." Address by Governor Tasker L. Oddie, of Nevada. Address by Governor James H. Hawley, of Idaho. Discussion. Luncheon at the Jefferson Hotel, given by the citizens of Richmond.

Afternoon—"What the State Can Do to Check the Drift of Population From Farms to Cities." Address by Governor Adolph O. Eberhardt, of Minnesota. Address by Governor Herbert S. Hadley, of Missouri. Discussion.

### Some Special Features.

Among the special features of the conference to which attention is called by Secretary Riley are the following: Governor McGovern, of Wisconsin, will read a paper on "A State Income Tax," and the subject of Discussion by Governor Foss, of Massachusetts, and Governor De-neen, of Illinois. "Uniformity of Marriage and Divorce Laws" will be discussed by Governors Oddie, of Nevada, and Hawley, of Idaho. Governors O'Neill, of Iowa, and Burke, of North Dakota, will discuss "Rural Credits," which subject is to be taken up on Saturday at a conference with President Taft at Washington. Governor Eberhardt, of Minnesota, and Governor Hadley, of Missouri, will speak on "What the State Can Do to Check the Drift of Population From Farm to City."

### JUDGE IN AGAIN

Gaylor, on Courting Bent, Locked Up on Disorderly Charge.

"Judge" Gaylor, who maintains his record for getting his name in the newspapers, jumped in the limelight again yesterday, when he was arrested for being disorderly in the street. "You see, it was this way," the judge explained, when he was bailed and released from his cell at the First Police Station, where he had been locked up for about ten hours. "I was on my way to see my girl." The judge added that he would be married on Christmas Eve, but he declined to divulge the name of his intended bride. Continuing, the judge said: "A crowd of boys were throwing rocks at me at Twenty-first and Broad Streets. They kept it up, so I picked up a brick and threw it into the bunch. Police-man Gonde came around the corner just then, and the brick almost hit him. He said I was disorderly and locked me up. Say, gimme that stump," and he puffed away at the cigarette while he was vainly questioned concerning the name of his fiancee.

## MAY INVESTIGATE ALL DRUG STORES

Sweeping Inquiry Into Illicit Sale of Drugs Is Recommended.

### SECRETARY MILLER SILENT

Dr. DeJarnette Gives Officer of State Pharmacy Board Information on Subject.

A State-wide investigation of the alleged illicit sale of liquor and drugs by drug stores in all sections of Virginia is said to be projected as a result of the publication of the recent annual report of Dr. J. S. DeJarnette, superintendent of the Western State Hospital, as published exclusively in The Times-Dispatch of November 21. In that report the superintendent called attention to the alarming increase in the number of insane patients suffering from the effects of drugs. Such widespread increase of the drug habit, he indicated, could only be the result of a general disregard of the law regulating the sale of drugs.

Secretary T. A. Miller, of the State Board of Pharmacy, last night declined to be interviewed on the subject, refusing to state what action, if any, the board would take in regard to the charges or even to give the date of its next meeting. He indicated his regret that the matter should have any publicity at all.

### Confers With DeJarnette.

E. L. Brandeis, field agent of the State Board of Pharmacy, was in Staunton on Saturday in conference with Dr. DeJarnette, who gave him information at his disposal. Mr. Brandeis spent yesterday in Harrisonburg. It is learned that plans are on foot for a widespread inquiry into the alleged practices of many drug stores, which investigation may result not only in prosecutions for violations of the liquor and drug acts, but also in revocation of druggists' licenses by the State board.

Dr. DeJarnette was quoted after his interview with Field Agent Brandeis Saturday as being anxious for a general investigation of what he believes to be a flagrant abuse of the law in the sale of drugs and that the matter be taken to the bottom. His report indicated that there has been a decided increase in the number of patients admitted to the Western State Hospital at Staunton in recent months suffering from the effect of liquor or drugs. Dr. DeJarnette stated that he was indicating a disregard for law on the part of some one, since it was not possible that such people could get such drugs without a violation of the law.

### Liquor at Drug Stores.

The sale of liquor by drug stores is said to exist in many localities, and in some sections a certain laxity in the enforcement of the law in this regard has been winked at by the authorities. The Virginia statute on the sale of cocaine is a most stringent one, but up to this time prosecutions have been against peddlers and small illicit sellers, not against druggists. The act requires for the sale of cocaine by any registered druggist a written prescription from a physician. A violation of the act being a felony, punishable with from one to five years in the penitentiary. Possession of the drug with intent to sell is prima facie evidence of guilt. This portion of the act not applying to registered pharmacists or physicians, prescriptions must contain the name of the patient and may be filled only once.

### Proposes Special Tax.

In his annual report Dr. DeJarnette proposed a State tax on saloons and drug stores, the amount so raised to go toward defraying the cost of maintenance of a separate, State-managed institution for those suffering from the effects of liquor or drugs, who have been brought to their condition by the illegal acts of druggists or saloonkeepers. The State liquor law makes it unlawful for the proprietor of a licensed saloon to sell to a habitual drunkard.

### DENOUNCES RUSSELLISM

Dr. Hoge Answers Questions Regarding His Creed.

Just before the sermon at Immanuel Baptist Church last night, Rev. B. Lacy Hoge, D. D., answered some questions as follows:

1. What is Russellism? It is a mixture of Unitarianism, Universalism, Swedenborgianism and second probation. It is a combination of the worst features of all these "isms." It disbelieves the Son of God. It disbelieves the resurrection of the dead. It disbelieves the teachings of Russellism.

The following are some of the false teachings of Russellism: (1) It denies the incarnation and deity of Christ; (2) it denies the atonement, taught in God's Word; (3) it denies that he who believeth on the Son of God hath everlasting life; (4) it teaches we will have it at some future time, and this have it on condition; (5) it denies the resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ; (6) it denies the second coming of Christ; (7) it teaches that death is the extinction of being; (8) it teaches salvation after death; (9) it denies the Bible teaching as to the future life of both the saved and unsaved.

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## BELL TOLLS FOR DEPARTED ELKS

Impressive Feature in Memorial Exercises Held Yesterday by Richmond Lodge, No. 45.

### ADDRESS BY FRED W. HARPER

Lynchburg Brother Speaks Eloquently of the Principles of the Order.

A muffled bell in the Academy of Music yesterday afternoon tolled six times, recalling to the large audience seated in the darkened auditorium the absence from the memorial exercises of six Elks who were present at a similar occasion one year ago. Accompanied with the slow reading of the death roll, the dying sound of the distant bell stood out as the impressive feature of the exercises conducted yesterday afternoon by Richmond Lodge, No. 45, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, in memory of departed brethren.

The exercises began at 3:15 o'clock, with a prayer by Rev. S. R. Tyler, and a quartet selection by Mrs. John Murphy, Mrs. Jasper L. Rowe, Lynn Tucker and Howard Bryant. Exalted Ruler M. F. Richter presided and spoke briefly to the occasion and its significance to the order. The audience joined in singing one stanza of "Auld Lang Syne," and Mr. Tucker and Mr. Bryant, of the quartet, sang solos. The Academy orchestra assisted in the musical program with several numbers.

### Memorial Address.

Fred W. Harper, of Lynchburg Lodge, No. 321, made the memorial address. He spoke for a half hour on the ideals of the order and its relation to its membership, as well as to the community. The address was particularly eloquent and well-delivered, and held the close attention of the audience to the end.

Mr. Harper enlarged upon the idea that in union there is strength, an economic principle which, he said, while old as the world itself, has been made the cornerstone of modern life and is seen especially in the organization of labor and the church. America achieved its liberty, he said, in an application of that principle more than a century and a quarter ago.

Much the same idea of union, said Mr. Harper, is exemplified by the Order of Elks. In the beginning a small band of enthusiasts organized for the mutual practice of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity, the tenets of the order. It has grown until it numbers to-day more than 400,000 members in all parts of the world, carrying out the same idea of united charity, but on a greatly enlarged plan. In the practice of these virtues, he said, this order is performing its share in making the "federation of the world and the parliament of man" something more than the phrase of a poet.

### Recognizes No Creed.

Mr. Harper went at some length into an examination of the Elks' ideal with the idea, he said, of "removing from the public mind some of the erroneous impressions with regard to the order which may have lodged there." It was in the strictest sense a benevolent and protective organization, having for its cornerstone the brotherhood of all its members. It is free of religious color, he said, and bars no one because of his creed, asking only the recognition of a Divine Power and a willingness to practice the broad charity for which the order stands.

The address was preceded by the memorial ritual, conducted by Exalted Ruler M. F. Richter, with the assistance of Eugene Brauer, William Perlestein, William Grimmel, W. R. Harwood, John T. Anderson, Jr., L. J. Schumann, R. R. Anderson, J. H. Stack, T. E. Garrett and Joseph Bopp, all officers of the local lodge. The exercises ended with the singing of "Crossing the Bar" by the quartet, and the benediction by Rev. S. R. Tyler.

### HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Lewis Ducks When Graham Shoots at Him With Shotgun.

Because Peyton Lewis, colored, it was said, interfered in a financial matter of his, Patrick Graham, also colored, attempted to shoot him with a shotgun yesterday afternoon.

Graham is said to have been talking with a friend about a debt when Lewis butted in. Later, Graham is said to have sent for Lewis to come to his store, 1801 Moore Street; that he wanted to see him on a "matter of business."

When Lewis went to Graham's place he found that the "business" was a shotgun, which Graham raked to his shoulder. Lewis ducked instead of running, and a load of buckshot whizzed over his head. Seeing that he had missed his mark, Graham beat a hasty retreat and could not be found. The latter swore out a warrant for his arrest.

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## CHAMBER TO URGE ANNEXATION PLAN

Plans to Hold Mass-Meetings in Adjacent Suburbs to Arouse Public Interest.

Two things stand foremost upon the greater Chamber of Commerce improvement plan—the annexation of new territory adjacent to the city to be utilized as home sites for the dwelling of men with limited incomes, and the construction of a substantial new bridge to replace the one which now spans the river at Ninth Street. The chamber has long had these things in mind, but will now take up an active campaign of education, with the view of securing them. The program includes mass-meetings in the suburbs, both in those that have already asked to be admitted and those who have so far not shown this inclination. Several of the Southside suburbs have already indicated their willingness to take up the matter and point the construction of the bridge to the city council at an early date.

"The City Council," said Business Manager Dabney, discussing the annexation program, "will be asked by the chamber to adopt a liberal policy in this respect. It will be asked to include not only communities which are already largely developed, but to give its consideration also to the importance of taking in vacant areas suitable for the construction of attractive homes for the masses, particularly wage-earners, clerks and people of limited means. An investigation will be conducted by the Council of the great importance of prompt action in this matter."

The new bridge project is urged in order to provide a safe and adequate highway between Richmond and Chesterfield County—something that the present bridge does not afford. Such a bridge would make possible the operation of the Petersburg suburban cars to the centre of the city, eliminating the income change on the Southside and shortening the running time to the city's shopping districts.

## MOTORMAN SAVES LIFE OF SLEEPER

Ashtand Man Who Lay on Trestle Rails Escapes With Mangled Foot.

But for quick action on the part of Motorman M. F. Hughes, of an owl car of the Richmond and Henric Railway, J. W. Priddy, of Ashtand, would probably have been crushed to death, instead of escaping with a mangled foot, yesterday morning about 3 o'clock. Priddy went to sleep on the trestle crossing Gillie's Creek. His feet were across one rail, and his body lay on the side of the high structure. Hughes was making the trip to Fulton. He saw the form of Priddy when he was but a few feet from it, and his car moving at a good speed. With rare presence of mind he reversed the motors and brought the train to a standstill after the wheels of the front truck had passed over his right foot. Police Sergeant Sheppard, who witnessed the accident, said that Hughes acted with remarkable coolness and unquestionably saved Priddy's life.

The injured man was removed to the company's office, and Dr. H. T. Hawkins, City Hospital ambulance surgeon, summoned. After rendering emergency treatment he was removed to the Virginia Hospital. It was said last night that Priddy would live. His condition was regarded as satisfactory.

## PUBLIC HEARING ON ANNEXATION

Council Divided Over Piecemeal Extension or General Enlargement of City's Bounds.

After many postponements, the Council Committee on Ordinance, Charter and Reform has set to-morrow night for a public hearing on matters regarding annexation of territory to the city. Several petitions are pending, including those of Barton Heights, Highland Park and other suburban sections.

The action of the Ordinance Committee, it is believed, will be purely preliminary. Should it recommend a general extension of the lines about the city it is believed that a special committee will be named to enter into negotiations with those sections in regard to the public improvements to be made, following the precedent laid down in the Manchester annexation. Opinion is said to be divided in the Council as to whether it would be better to take up the annexation question piecemeal—that is, consider each application separately, starting with Highland Park, and make a separate agreement with each community to be annexed—or to undertake a broader and more comprehensive plan of drawing a new boundary line completely around the city, taking in all such sections where the population will justify improvements or where sanitary conditions demand that the city protect itself.

In several directions there are suburban settlements which are without sewers or a proper water supply, and which are so close to the city as to prove a serious menace, the county providing no adequate inspection of such premises.

## FRANKLIN COUNTY CALLS PRIMARY

Repeats Action of Last Year, Which Glass Criticized—Campaign for Legislature.

Even before the campaign for Governor has begun, fights are on in some quarters of the State over nomination to the General Assembly. Franklin County leads the van. The County Democratic Committee has already met and called a primary election, to be held on the second Saturday in March, 1913, for the nomination of a candidate of the party for the House of Delegates. Daniel A. Kinney, the present member, has already announced his candidacy for re-nomination.

The same county did a similar thing in 1911 and was severely criticized therefor from one end of the State to the other by Congressman Carter Glass, then a candidate for nomination to the United States Senate. The will was made that in holding a March primary the Democrats of Franklin were in open violation of the Constitution, which provides that none but qualified voters may take part. He said that "inasmuch as the poll lists for the November election (and consequently, under the law, for the September primary), would not be complete until early in May, it was impossible to ascertain in March who were legal voters for the primary. The real reason, he charged, for the early date was to get 'the boys' lined up and qualified to vote for Mr. Glass' opponent, Senator Claude A. Swanson."

Another quarter where a campaign is already in progress is Culpeper, where Alden Bell, who has represented the county for several terms, and is now chairman of the Committee for Courts of Justice, is opposed by Harry B. Smith.

### PREFER CHARGES TO-DAY

Police Patrol Chauffeur Said to Have Been Drunk and Smashed Things.

Chief of Police Werner announced yesterday that a charge of being drunk while on duty will be made to-day against M. E. Craven, chauffeur of the patrol of the First District. He will also be accused of driving the patrol into the wall of the station-house, breaking an axle and smashing a lamp, on Saturday night.

The charges will be heard Wednesday night at the meeting of the Board of Police Commissioners.

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